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SUBJECT: EXPROPRIATED U.S. PROPERTY AND ELIGIBILITY FOR GENERALIZED
PREFERENCES (GSP)

REF: A. STATE 304462 B. BANGUI 1923

1. EMBASSY AWARE THAT CENTRA-HYDRO OFFICIALS HAVE INFORMED
MOBIL REPRESENTATIVE THAT CENTRA-HYDRO SHOWED BOOK PROFIT OF
APPROXIMATELY 700 MILLION CFA 1975 WHICH MIGHT BE USED FOR
COMPENSATION PAYMENT. THIS APPEARS TO BE CONVERSATION REFERRED TO
REFTEL WHICH WAS ALSO REPORTED IN EMBASSY MEMCON DATED DECEMBER 2,
1975 A COPY OF WHICH WAS SENT TO AF/C.

2. THIS REPAYMENT POSSIBILITY HAS BEEN DISCUSSED INFORMALLY
BY PETROLEUM REPS, EMBOFFS AND CENTRA-HYDRO AND EVEN GOCAR
OFFICIALS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS AS ONE OF SEVERAL OPTIONS BUT
HAS NOT RESULTED IN ANY OFFICIAL DECISIONS. EMBASSY WAS THEREFORE
RELUCTANT TO REPORT IT AS PROGRESS.

3. EMBASSY HAS ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT BELLET DIRECTLY DURING
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PAST SEVERAL DAYS WITHOUT SUCCESS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO

MAKE CONTACT WITH HIM ON THIS SUBJECT.

4. AS REPORTED BANGUI REFTTEL PRESIDENT BOKASSA HAS NOW
BECOME PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN COMPENSATION ISSUE. EMBASSY
BELIEVES THAT HIS DECISION TO INVITE OIL COMPANY REPS TO BANGUI
FOR DISCUSSIONS CONSTITUTES "APPROPRIATE STEP" AND EMBASSY HAS
URGED INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE TO MAKE SUCH A FINDING. PLEASE

ADVISE.

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